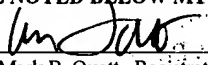




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Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.56 and in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.97 et. seq., applicants through and by their attorney hereby advise the examiner that between about June 21 and June 23, 2000, a verbal discussion of cook in trays involving microwaveability of a food product in the tray, and an easy open feature, were discussed in general terms with a meat processor in the U.S. The specific structure of the trays and top web for covering the food product, specific sealants for use in the tray and top web, and specific peel strength before and after packaging were not discussed.

This IDS is being submitted under 37 C.F. R. §1.97(b), and therefore no fee is required. However, if any fees are deemed due, please charge same to Deposit Account No. 07-1765.

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